

## QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT

### WHYY-TV

#### FOR THE PERIOD OF July 1ST, 2009 THROUGH September 30th, 2009

The license of station WHYY-TV has determined that the following issues were of importance to the Delaware Valley community during the past three months and has aired the following programs to address these issues:

#### 1. ARTS AND CULTURE

##### **Tut's Treasure Tour - Tour inside King Tut's Tomb**

7/17/09            10:00 p.m.        60 minutes

This program gives viewers an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at the unseen world of one of the greatest museum shows of all time as it travels on tour. Cameras reveal the choreographed chaos of taking apart the show, from the de-installation team that works under merciless deadlines to the deconstruction of the boy king's temporary palace. In the dead of the night, the convoy of these priceless antiquities makes its secretive trip to Philadelphia, but there are only weeks until opening and the race is on to set up the show.

##### **Great Performances: Dance in America — Wolf Trap's Face of America**

8/2/09            9 p.m.            60 Minutes

America's national parks are celebrated in dance productions led by choreographers Donald Byrd, Amelia Rudolph, Elizabeth Streb and Doug Varone. Included are segments shot at Yosemite National Park and Mammoth Cave National Park.

##### **A Tribute to Julia Child: Bon Appetit!**

9/12/09            1:30 p.m.        60 Minutes

As the woman who has been credited with introducing French cooking techniques to mainstream America, Julia Child will be forever remembered as the country's first celebrity chef who brought the world of food to television viewers when she flipped a groundbreaking omelet Feb. 11, 1963. That moment signaled the launch of decades of cooking on television — the first of which were most memorably, The French Chef with Julia Child.

#### 2. ENVIRONMENT

##### **Nature: "Murder in the Troop"**

8/9/09            8:00 p.m.        60 Minutes

The power dynamics at work in a pack of baboons are examined through the story of twin baboons along Africa's Zambezi River. The two are the offspring of the pack's alpha male and seem to live a cherished life.

### **Wide Angle: "Burning Season"**

8/10/09      10:00 p.m.      60 Minutes

A 29-year-old Australian "green" entrepreneur named Dorjee Sun has canvassed the world pitching the sale of Indonesia's carbon credits to polluters in the West. Burning Season kindles both sides of the climate divide and explores whether capitalism can step in where altruism has so far failed to succeed.

### **The National Parks: America's Best Idea**

9/30/09      8:00 pm      120 Minutes

The National Parks: America's Best Idea, a 12-hour, six-part documentary series directed by Ken Burns and co-produced with his longtime colleague, Dayton Duncan, continues. The film is the story of an idea as uniquely American as the Declaration of Independence and just as radical — that the most special places in the nation should be preserved, not for royalty or the rich, but for everyone. As such, it follows in the tradition of Burns' exploration of other American inventions such as baseball and jazz.

## **3. HEALTH CARE AND SCIENCE**

### **NOVA: "Hunting the Hidden Dimension"**

8/18/09      8 p.m.      60 Minutes

Fractals are all around you. Their irregular, repeating shapes are found in cloud formations and tree limbs, in stalks of broccoli and craggy mountain ranges and even in the rhythm of the human heart. In "Hunting the Hidden Dimension," NOVA takes viewers on a fascinating quest with a group of maverick mathematicians determined to decipher the rules that govern fractal geometry.

### **NOVA: "Is There Life on Mars?"**

9/1/09      8 p.m.      60 Minutes

Nova's "Is There Life on Mars" showcases the latest scientific results from NASA's twin robot explorers, Spirit and Opportunity, and the Phoenix lander, which are poised to reveal provocative new clues in the search for water and life on the Red Planet.

### **PBS Special Report on Health-care Reform**

9/25/09      10:30 p.m.      90 Minutes

Nightly Business Report, NOW on PBS and Tavis Smiley collaborate to provide a 90-minute program that examines the urgent topic of health-care reform. As Congress weighs legislation to provide universal health care in the United States, correspondents will provide analysis, discussion, insight and engagement.

## **Premiere of First**

9/25/09          10:00pm          30 Minutes

First, a 30-minute news and information magazine program produced by WHYY-TV and dedicated to covering the First State, will premiere in its regular time slot. Hosted by Stephanie Aldrich, Tom Byrne and Bill Cook, First will feature in-depth stories, roundtable discussions and an arts-and-culture segment. First will be rebroadcast at 11 a.m. Saturdays and 6 p.m. Sundays on WHYY-TV's Y Info channel and available to stream.

## **4. POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT**

### **President Barack Obama's Press Conference Today!**

7/22/09          8:00 pm          60 Minutes

WHYY will air live coverage of President Barack Obama's press conference on TV, radio and web. It is expected that President Obama will focus on healthcare.

### **Chasing Churchill: In Search of My Grandfather**

8/13/09          10:30 p.m.          60 Minutes

Winston Churchill's quest for his inner self took two forms: a constant thirst for exotic travel and a passion for the exuberance of painting and the beauty of words. His granddaughter Celia Sandys traveled extensively with Churchill toward the end of his life. In this intimate portrait, she follows in her grandfather's footsteps. By examining his art and literature, viewers will understand his dreams and anxieties and share his innermost thoughts while traveling with Sandy to France, Cuba, South Africa, the United States, Egypt and Morocco.

### **Frost/Nixon: The Original Watergate Interviews**

9/15/09          10:00 p.m.          60 Minutes

This August marked the 35th anniversary of President Richard M. Nixon's 1974 resignation. In 1977, Sir David Frost conducted the most compelling political interview ever, garnering more television viewers than any political interview to this day. For almost two hours a day for 12 days in March 1977, Frost questioned Nixon about everything from Vietnam to China, from abuse of power to the final days in one of the greatest media events of the 20th century. The most tense and gripping sessions were on Watergate.

## **5. RACIAL RELATIONS**

### **P.O.V. The Betrayal (Nerakhoon)**

7/23/09          9:00 p.m.          60 Minutes

Filmed over 23 years, The Betrayal is the Academy Award®-nominated directorial debut of renowned

cinematographer Ellen Kuras in a unique collaboration with the film's subject and co-director, Thavisouk ("Thavi") Phrasavath. After the U.S. government waged a secret war in Laos during the Vietnam War, Thavi's father and thousands of other Laotians who had fought alongside American forces were abandoned and left to face imprisonment or execution. Hoping to find safety, Thavi's family made a harrowing escape to America, where they discovered a different kind of war.

### **The Extraordinary Journey**

9/17/09            8 p.m.            60 Minutes

The Extraordinary Journey chronicles the emigration of more than 100,000 Eastern Europeans from 26 different homelands and their settlement in Northeastern Pennsylvania from 1880 to 1930. Compelling stories are told from the immigrants' perspectives to create an evocative experiential context for the audience.